Fairfax-Falls Church Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. Pennino Building / Human Services Center 12011 Government Center Parkway Room 836 A

Committee Members in Attendance: Loretta Redelman (Chair), Wendy Keating, Thomas Williams

Committee Members Excused: Judy Regner, Betty Gardner

Others in Attendance: Alan Wooten (CSB), Ellen Einstein (CSB), Kim Watkins (CSB), Dr. Benjamin Mauro (Positive Behavioral Dynamics), Jason Horsford (CLA), Anne Wood (CSI), Mike Webster (MVLE), Sue Gross (ABC), Jim Copeland (ABC), Nicole Numbers (ABC), Julie Allen (CRI), Kathleen Chamountry (CRI), Trena Gaston (CRI), Wayne Johnson (RIVA), Christina Pritchard (RIVA), Kelly Barton (Chimes), Trellis Fortis (Chimes), Tim Simmons (HR Advocate), Lisa Blecker (LHRC Support)

The meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. Minutes from the August 9th meeting were approved as submitted.

I. Executive Session to Review Client Issues

A motion was made, seconded and voted on to move into Executive Session to review client issues at 1:10 p.m. and the Committee came out of Executive Session at 3:55 p.m. Ten behavior plans were reviewed and eight were accepted for three months and one for one month. Another plan was not voted on at this time. Recommendations were made for two of the plans. One recommendation was a request for follow-up documentation in one month regarding phone usage and another to add into the plan periodic review by the BMC and LHRC.

Four quarterly reports were submitted and all were accepted for three months without any recommendations. A medication change for another individual was reviewed and accepted. A discussion was held for another individual and recommendations were made for the program to conduct periodic fire drills for this person when staff returns after a period when the individual has been home without staff support and also to do more safety monitoring.

II. Committee Business Session

The committee received a copy of revised regulations for LifeLine of Virginia. The committee stated they would like to continue getting updates on transportation issues. The committee is scheduled to visit Crisis Care on September 20th.

III. Advocate's Report

Tim Simmons reported clarification on psychotropic medications as reviewed for individuals living in Intermediate Care Facilities. Psychotropic medications only need to be reviewed by the committee if they are being prescribed for mental health reasons. If the medication is prescribed for other purposes like seizure control, the committee does not need to review its use.

Tim Simmons also updated the committee of an incident at JDI of physical abuse that was reported to Adult Protective Services. JDI terminated the staff involved.

An application for membership to the LHRC is being followed up on currently.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for: Wednesday, October 11th, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 836 A of the Pennino Building, 12011 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax County Government Center Complex.